

# YOUNG SENATORS

**CALIFORNIA STATE SENATOR RICARDO LARA**

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- Must be a sophomore or junior at a high school within the 33<sup>rd</sup> Senate District  
(Bell, Bell Gardens, Cudahy, Huntington Park, Lakewood, Long Beach, Lynwood, Maywood, Paramount, Signal Hill, South Gate and Vernon, communities of Florence/Firestone and Walnut Park)
- Demonstrated leadership and active involvement at school or in the community

## APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE:

- Completed application
- One letter of recommendation
- Copy of transcripts
- Personal Statement

## BACKGROUND AND CONTACT INFORMATION

First Name

Last Name

Parent/Guardian Name(s)

Address

City

Zip

Home Phone

Cell phone/Alternate number

E-mail Address

## ACADEMIC INFORMATION

High school

Grade level

Overall G.P.A

## WORK AND VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Date	Name of Organization	Position and Duties

Include additional page if needed.

## LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

Provide one letter of recommendation from a teacher or staff person from your school. The recommendation letter should speak to your leadership, academic abilities, and motivation to learn.

Name	Relation to Applicant	Telephone Number

## PERSONAL STATEMENT

The personal statement must be typed and should address the following in no more than two double-spaced pages:

- Describe your personal background, academic interests, and why you are applying.
- What are some of your leadership qualities and accomplishments? What could you bring to the Young Senators Program that sets you apart?
- What do you hope to learn during the program?

### Student Pledge

I, \_\_\_\_\_, as a Young Senator, would agree to the following:

1. I will attend all Young Senator Program activities and events.
2. I will arrive to all activities and events at the time designated, and will demonstrate professional behavior that demonstrates commitment, integrity, respect, and concern for all participants, staff, and presenters.

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

### Parent/Guardian Pledge

I, \_\_\_\_\_, as the parent of a Young Senator, would agree to the following:

1. I will ensure that my son or daughter will attend all Young Senator Program activities and events.
2. I will ensure that my son or daughter will arrive to all activities and events at the time designated, and that he or she will demonstrate professional behavior that demonstrates commitment, integrity, respect, and concern for all participants, staff, and presenters.

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

For questions pertaining to the Young Senators program or program application, contact  
Iván Carrillo at 562-495-4766 or [ivan.carrillo@sen.ca.gov](mailto:ivan.carrillo@sen.ca.gov)

### Please send completed applications to:

Office of California State Senator Ricardo Lara  
c/o Iván Carrillo, Field Representative  
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Long Beach, CA 90802

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## **Mission**

The 33<sup>rd</sup> Senate District Young Senators program is designed to provide high school students with unique opportunities that yield insights about potential career and educational paths. The Young Senators program is focused on exploring the industries, professions, and social innovations that are critical to our state's economy, cultivating a unique educational-based experience, and fostering the next generation of California leaders.

## **Session Details**

### **1) Transportation and Trade (Saturday, January 26)**

Young Senators will tour and interact with leaders of the Port of Long Beach and LAX airport to learn about both the movement of goods and people.

### **2) Education (Saturday, February 23)**

Young Senators will tour the University of Southern California (USC) and LA Trade Tech to learn about higher education's role in our local communities and state's economy.

### **3) Law and Society (Saturday, March 23)**

Young Senators will tour Men's Central Jail, the Los Angeles County Sheriffs training academy, and a federal court to learn about the justice system, constitutionality and the basis for rule of law.

### **4) Health Care (Saturday, April 13)**

Young Senators will tour the Children's Hospital of Los Angeles and a community health clinic to learn about public health and different access to care.

### **5) Government and the Legislative Process (Thursday, May 16)**

Young Senators will travel to Sacramento, tour the State Capitol and interact with legislators to learn about governance and the legislative process.

### **6) Information Technology/Social Media (Friday, May 17)**

Young Senators will travel to the Silicon Valley to tour the headquarters of Facebook and Google. The tours will demonstrate California's global leadership in the IT fields.

### **7) Arts, Media & Entertainment (Saturday, June 15)**

Young Senators will tour Warner Brothers Studio and the Music Center to learn about the film, dance and music industries.

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